

PENNSylvania YANkee Theatre Company

Annual Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2016

Present: Ann Shepardson, Peg Pattersen, John Christensen, Dean Knapton, Jason Riley, Dusty Baker, Kristy Gaston, Lyn Strong, Grace Knapton, Sara Lyon, Becky Prine, Eileen Ferrar

Meeting Called to Order: 7:37 03 PM

Mission Statement:

“To enhance the quality of life in our community by providing theater experiences and education in order to promote participation, appreciation, and understanding of the arts”

Our mission statement was reviewed by the board and we are happy with it as is.

Treasurer’s Report:

As of 1/1/16:

Our unofficial Profit/Loss for 2015 shows a net income of \$9133. 2013 and 2014 both showed a loss. (See Sheet). Dusty motioned to accept the treasurer’s report as presented. Grace seconded. The treasurer’s report for the 2015 year was approved.

Year End Wrap Up:

Peg has finished the grant applications and has delivered them to the Arts and Cultural Center of Greater Rochester. We should hear back sometime in February. If we get the grant we will use the money to pay the consultant.

Proposed Budget:

(See Sheet)

It is proposed that the \$404,000 grant be used to fund Phase 1 (building the facade) of the Sampson Theatre restoration. In doing so we will be able to show that we can handle large projects successfully, and will be a benefit when applying for further grants. John motions to use the grant money for this purpose. Ann seconded. Board approved the allocation of this grant.

New Board Members: Grace motioned to accept Sue Tierney as a new board member. Dusty seconded. Approved- Welcome Sue!

Election of Officers:

The secretary cast one vote to keep the officers as is.

General Manager: Peg Patteron

Assistant General Manager: Grace Knapton

Treasurer: Ann Shepardson

Secretary: Lyn Strong

Role call was taken for voting- all were in agreement. Officers were approved

New Business:

1. Peg met with Dr. Ken- the advisor to Enactus at Keuka College- and reviewed our master plan and feasibility plan. Their group is excited to update the feasibility study. This will help to keep the college involved.
2. Sara has agreed to make an Excel spread sheet of all of our past and present contributors
3. Keuka College will be putting on a spring production. It will be "All My Sons". Auditions will be February 16th.

4. Our Bi-Laws currently state that board members have term limits. We need to establish consistency. It was suggested that we elect every so many years with NO LIMIT to holding an office again if voted in. We could do all elections every year. Following a board discussion, it has been decided to have a 3 year board member election schedule. Current board members drew a letter and were split into 3 groups (A,B, or C). Group A (Sara Lyon, Peg Patterson, Kristy Gaston, and Ray Willis) will be up for election next year. Group B (Ileen Ferrar, Becky Prine, Dusty Baker, and Brenda Race) will be up for election in 2017. Group C (Grace Knapton, Sue Tierney, John Christensen, and Lyn Strong) will be up for election in 2018. Each group will hold their seat for 3 years and will then be up for re-election. There will be no limit to the time a board member can serve.
Carol Bick may suggest that we amend this later on.
5. Thank you Peg for all of your hard work and time finding a consultant and working with Carol.
6. Website- We have had our best month for visits to our site

Motion to adjourn made by Ann and seconded by Grace. Meeting adjourned 7:54 PM